GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA

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Reduction in Supply of Coal
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the power companies have requested for a reduction in the supply of coal;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the coal reserves have reached an all time high becoming almost one-sixth of the annual production of coal; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER, NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b) : From the first Quarter of 2017-18, there has been increase in demand of coal, though in the early part of 2016-17, some Power Plants preferred to consume coal from their stocks owing to their comfortable stock position and regulated fresh supply. As on 24.07.2017, the coal stock of Thermal Power Plants (TPPs) has declined to 17.47 Million Tonnes (MT), which is sufficient to meet coal requirement for 12 days, from 27.63 MT on 01.04.2017 which was sufficient for 19 days.

(c) & (d) : During 2016-17, vendible coal stock of Coal India Limited had increased from 57.64 MT as on 01.04.2016 to 68.42 MT as on 31.03.2017. As on 24.07.2017, this coal stock has reduced to 43.75 MT (Provisional), resulting in stock liquidation of 24.67 MT.

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